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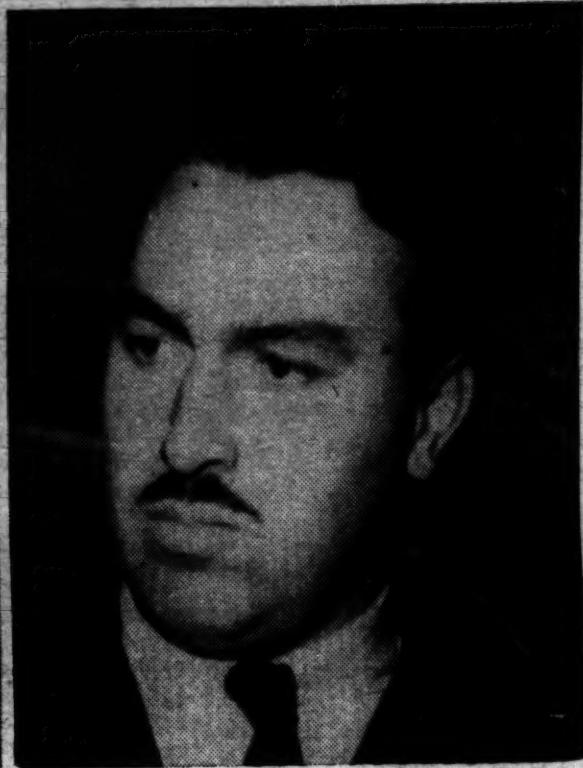
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Vito Marcantonio



Adam Clayton Powell

Drive to Cut Brittany Gains 30 Miles in Day

ALLIED SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, London, Aug. 2 (UP).—Fanning out like wildfire over Brittany in the swiftest strides of the invasion, American tanks bore down on Rennes today and sent a spearhead west toward the world war port of Brest as disaster piled upon disaster for the Germans across the buckling French front.

Information to headquarters indicated the Yanks may have scored phenomenal gains of more than 30 miles in a day southward and 25 miles to the west from last reported positions at Pontorson, 13 miles south of Avranches.

Prime Minister Winston Churchill told the House of Commons that the U. S. First Army "might well be approaching Rennes," and information here also placed the Americans in the vicinity of St. Malo, ancient lair of the Breton pirates on the road to Brest.

BRITISH BREAK-THROUGH

British troops in the center of the line broke clear of the throttling Bocage country when enemy resistance snapped abruptly, and plunged to the edge of both Vire and Villers Bocage, deepening their break-through to 15 miles.

The Yanks captured Percy, Tessy-sur-Vire and Ville-dieu-les-Poëles northeast of Avranches and began drawing an encirclement noose around four enemy divisions which had held a salient in that area. Advancing due east from Ville-dieu, the Americans drove within a few miles of a junction with the British in the Vire area that would spring the trap.

Rennes, capital of the old Breton province and a modern rail hub, has a population of 78,000 and is the largest French city yet to come within the grasp of the liberating Allied armies. St. Malo, perched on a lofty crag on the north coast of the Breton peninsula, has a population of 12,000.

While reaching deep into Brittany, the Americans also broadened and deepened their drive eastward across the German rear, advancing two miles beyond Brecy to capture Cuve and the same distance east from Montgothier to take La Buat.

COORDINATED SWING

These advances swung the force from Avranches into line with the Yanks hitting down from Percy and Ville-dieu in a north-south front nearly 20 miles broad, throwing upon the German high command a desperate urgency to find some means of anchoring a west flank.

An official front spokesman called the British gains of the last four days a major victory, enabling the Tommies to break out of the Bocage crust which had resisted their most concerted attacks around Caen.

Vanguards reached Vire, front dispatches said, after cutting the important roads running to the northeast to Villers-Bocage and Aunay-sur-Odon, but apparently formal occupation of the city was being held up by suicide units.

More than 3,000 allied planes, including 2,500 American aircraft, lashed out from Britain and Italy today at German installations in northern France, from the battle-front to the Paris area, and in the Rhone Valley of southern France.

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An Editorial

The Enemy's Challenge in Philadelphia

Every bus, trolley, subway and "el" train in Philadelphia was at a standstill yesterday for the second day. Eight Negro porters were to be upgraded to run trolleys. Leaders of a defeated company union, some AFL leaders and a clique of treasonous elements, bent on disrupting war morale, exploited prejudice to confront Philadelphia with a No. 1 war crisis.

The CIO Transport Workers Union, which fought Jimcrow boldly in the organizing campaign which made it sole bargaining agent at the Philadelphia Transportation Co., is doing everything possible to end the strike.

The War Manpower Commission, which had ordered the upgrading of the Negroes with the backing of an almost unanimous vote of CIO PTC stewards, stood its ground. Both the union and the WMC stand firmly for the patriotic principle of full employment rights for the Negro people.

Their positions must be upheld. No retreat is possible in the forward march of the people, the government and labor against Jimcrow. This is not just a strike that interrupts war production, paralyzes the life of the city, and violates labor's pledge. It is much more.

It is undoubtedly true—and the facts bear it out—that disgruntled elements of the defeated company union and unfortunately some prejudice-blinded AFL leaders bear responsibility for this shocking provocation which even now provokes disorders reminiscent of Detroit's worst days in Philadelphia. But what stands out above all is the hand of open enemy agents, carrying Hitler disruption into the labor movement and getting results.

The company has encouraged the present disgraceful situation. Jimcrow was long its policy. Only the CIO and government's war-time program cracked it. Even now,

PTC demands the rescinding of the order upgrading Negroes as the solution of the strike.

This is a situation demanding clear-cut action now. A firm hand by government must speed a back-to-work movement. There can be no concessions to the sowers of race hate, no conditions governing return.

Philadelphia, cradle of America's liberty, must recognize its responsibility to the nation. AFL and CIO unions, labor of all affiliations, should present a solid front to the workers, appealing for their return and making them realize the un-American, unpatriotic character of their walkout.

Civic organizations, churches of all denominations, and professional people should issue declarations at once bringing clarity to the strikers on the enemy within who seeks to use them as pawns in a fight against the American people and our boys on the fighting fronts.

Already, as earlier in Detroit, there is evidence that the same sinister forces that produced the transport strike, are moving to carry their disruption further. Incidents between Negro and white, widespread arrests, and growing tension give indication of what might come. Community action now can stop that. The prosecution of those responsible must be demanded, especially those who in the past have attempted to torpedo national unity by spreading race hatred, anti-Semitism and anti-war propaganda.

This must not be permitted to become an issue in the elections. There is no partisanship in the maintenance of democracy and the crushing of those who would introduce Hitlerism into American life. Forces in all parties, bent on such un-American policies, must be exposed and brought to justice. United community action in Philadelphia must do that job today.

Rush George Bill to Snarl Reconversion

By ADAM LAPIN

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—The big push got under way today on Capitol Hill against the comprehensive reconversion program approved by the Senate Military Affairs subcommittee headed by Senator James E. Murray.

It is a flank attack designed to prevent passage of either the new Murray bill or the Kilgore bill, both approved by and reported out by the Military Affairs subcommittee, by getting action first on what looks like a substitute bill.

This is the strategy behind hasty approval this morning by the Senate Finance Committee of an inadequate unemployment compensation bill introduced yesterday by Senator Walter George of Georgia.

George, chairman of the committee, had the enthusiastic backing of Republican Senators led by Arthur Vandenberg of Michigan.

CIO HITS "CONFUSING BILL"

CIO President Philip Murray charged the action of George and Vandenberg "in reporting the feeble and synthetic George bill will only confuse the issue."

In telegrams to Senator Alben Barkley, majority leader, and Senator Wallace White, minority leader, he urged support for the Kilgore bill.

"Our members want action on real demobilization legislation which will promote war production, full employment during the transition to peace time, and adequate emergency unemployment compensation for servicemen and war workers," Philip Murray said.

The George bill will be formally reported to the Senate tomorrow, and the plan is to bring it up on the floor next Tuesday.

The Senate Military Affairs Committee is meeting tomorrow to consider the Kilgore and Murray bills.

Senator Warren Austin of Vermont, ranking Republican on the committee, has, however, served notice that he will oppose action this week.

This probably means that the George bill will get to the Senate floor first.

But Senator Harley Kilgore of West Virginia is reported to be planning to offer his measure as a substitute for the George bill.

Only eight Senators were present at the Finance Committee meeting which approved the State's Rights George bill. George said they voted for it unanimously.

The Senators present included five Democrats, George, Alben Barkley of Kentucky, David Walsh of Massachusetts, Tom Connally of Texas, George Radcliffe of Maryland, and three Republicans, Vandenberg, James Davis of Pennsylvania and Owen Brewster of Maine.

The George bill gives workers no guarantee whatever that they will receive unemployment compensation during the reconversion period. It adds 2,000,000 workers in gov-

ernment establishments to unemployment compensation, and sets up a revolving fund from which the states can borrow if they wish to increase payments to displaced war workers.

George said the revolving fund was "not absolutely necessary" and was included to "make assurance doubly assured."

He said that he didn't expect any states to make use of it and claimed that they now have "ample funds."

Vote Shakes Jaekle Hold

BUFFALO, Aug. 2.—The Jaekle Republican machine was handed a rude jolt today as Rep. Joseph Mruk, insurgent candidate for re-nomination in the 43d district, came within 250 votes of taking the nomination away from the regular nominee, Edward J. Elsaesser.

The unofficial count gave Mruk 8,477 votes and Elsaesser's 8,721. A recount is likely.

Boss Edward Jaekle refused Mruk the redesignation after the Polish-American congressman had supported the Worley federal vote measure in Congress and had voted to uphold the President's veto of the Smith-Connally and the anti-subsidy measures.

It has also been charged that the state GOP boss had ditched Mruk because he is Polish Catholic and the Republican leadership considers Poles and Catholics second class citizens.

Jaekle's official reasons for refusing Mruk the designation were that the reapportioned district no longer had a Polish Catholic majority and that Mruk would be defeated in the primary anyway; and second, that he had lost touch with his local district leaders.

The primary results demonstrate

that the first reason is bunk since Mruk certainly would have been the overwhelming primary victor if he had had the official designation. The second reason was a polite way of taking a crack at Mruk's congressional record.

In a second primary contest against the Jaekle machine, William Haessler, a newcomer in politics, scored 4,400 votes against 10,553 for Rep. Walter G. Andrews in the GOP primaries in the 42 congressional district. Haessler, a Republican, is also the Democratic and American Labor Party candidate for Congress and may also appear on an independent line against Andrews, who is a notorious reactionary.



DOUGLAS MacMAHON

International secretary-treasurer of the CIO Transport Workers Union, whose efforts last night produced a back-to-work movement among striking Philadelphia transit workers.

Pelley Aide Ok's Blow by Japan

By ART SHIELDS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—A half hour defense of the propaganda justifying the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor startled spectators at the Nazi plot trial as the attorney for William Dudley Pelley, the Silver Shirt chief, was cross-examining an FBI agent today.

William Powers, the attorney, a burly, prosperous-looking fellow from Chicago, was arguing with the agent, Bliss Morton, that he had no right to seize Axis documents defending the Japanese attack when he raided Pelley's home in Indianapolis in April, 1942.

"If it had been brought to your attention before you served the search warrant that defendant Pelley happened to be right," said Powers, "would you have—"

He was cut short by Justice Eicher at Prosecutor Rogge's objection.

AXIS REASONING

The defense attorney's amazing propaganda exhibition started when the FBI agent referred to Pelley's statement that the United States had solicited the war with the Axis powers.

"Would you have made the search if you had had all the facts about this issue?" asked the Silver Shirt's mouthpiece.

"Do you know," the attorney added a little later, "If anyone else had the same idea (as Pelley) that everything wasn't clean and clear about the Pearl Harbor mix-up?"

"Didn't Colonel McCormick say something like that in the Chicago Tribune?" barked the cross examiner.

The goaded old Silver Shirt chief grinned with delight as his mouthpiece continued to hammer at this Axis line for a full 30 minutes with questions about President Roosevelt's declaration of a Pacific emergency, etc., etc.

One of the documents seized in Pelley's home was a Silver Shirt summary of a shortwave broadcast over the Italian Broadcasting System on Dec. 8, 1942, the day after Pearl Harbor attack and lauded the Japanese for "commemorating hostilities."

TWU Rallies Phila. Back-To-Work Drive

By WALTER LOWENFELS

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 2.—A back-to-work movement started among Philadelphia's striking transit workers tonight as the War Labor Board unanimously turned the case over to President Roosevelt for "appropriate action."

Subways and "el" trains, the backbone of the city's transport system, were back in operation at 7 p. m., following a meeting of over 50 shop stewards, executive board members and active organizers from among Philadelphia Transportation Co. employees, with Douglas MacMahon, international secretary-treasurer of the CIO Transport Workers Union.

Immediately after hearing MacMahon, the union leaders left Redman's hall to return to the barns to organize a back-to-work drive among the 8,600 transit employees who struck over the upgrading of eight Negro porters, who were to be trained as trolley operators.

ACCUSES NAZI AGENTS

"You have been misled by Hitler agents," MacMahon told a cheering audience. "The company union leaders whom you repudiated when you voted for the CIO last February have brought up the Negro issue to lead you into a blind alley and obstruct the war."

MacMahon named James McMenamin, a local Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen organizer, Frank Kearney, ex-company union president, John Elliot, organizer of the AFL Amalgamated Association of Street and Railway Car Employees, as among those guilty of tying up Philadelphia's transportation.

These and some 50 other anti-CIO plotters under Coughlinite and company influence organized flying squads early yesterday to threaten and coerce workers into quitting their posts. Upgrading of the Negroes had been ordered in line with War Manpower Commission directives. After the first stoppages, the company shut down lines not yet closed by the strike.

Behind the stoppage, according to many local civic authorities, is a deliberate conspiracy aided by open shop employers and fanned by political opponents of the administration.

War production was crippled for the second day yesterday. Hundreds of thousands of war workers could not reach their job. Many made it by sharing cars and using trucks provided by the various plants.

There were several minor racial clashes throughout the city but no serious disturbances. Windows were broken in the Negro neighborhoods as tension grew. Police made about 200 arrests, mostly Negroes.

Leaders of many CIO unions were cooperating with the TWU and government agencies to speed resumption of service. The United

Federal Workers offered to replace the strikers. A leaflet issued by the National Maritime Union was distributed by an office secretary on a bicycle. Church and civil leaders joined in the pleas to return to work.

The Philadelphia Record, in an open letter to PTC strikers, called the stoppage "a disgrace." Dr. E. A. E. Palmquist, leading clergyman and secretary of the Philadelphia Federation of Churches, issued an appeal for a return to work. Similar action was taken by Dr. J. A. MacCallum, pastor of a leading Presbyterian Church. Ferdinand Smith, secretary of the National Maritime Union, came to Philadelphia to urge a return-to-work lest war cargoes be delayed. He was to make radio and public appeals to the workers to return tonight and tomorrow.

Labor Leaders To Visit Fronts

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—The Department announced today that a delegation of six labor leaders will visit the European invasion front to get a first-hand picture of how the weapons by American workers stand up in action.

The group will consist of three CIO leaders, R. J. Thomas, president of the United Auto Workers; Sherman Dalrymple, president of the United Rubber Workers; David J. McDonald, secretary-treasurer of the United Steelworkers; and of three AFL representatives, Frank P. Fenton, AFL director of organization; A. L. Wagener, assistant to the president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and Eric Peterson, executive vice-president of the International Association of Machinists.

Picked by CIO President Philip Murray and AFL President William Green, the labor leader will have an opportunity to discuss supply problems with army personnel ranging from doughboys to generals and to see for themselves the tremendous need for war materials to sustain the military offensives.

Bullitt Granted Audience by Pope

VATICAN CITY, Aug. 2 (UP).—Pope Pius today granted a private audience to William C. Bullitt, former United States Ambassador to France and the Soviet Union, details of the audience were not disclosed.

Reich Fall Near, Tokio Soon After: Churchill

LONDON, Aug. 2 (UP). — Prime Minister Winston Churchill, asserting to a cheering House of Commons that the Allies were masters of the Axis in every theatre of the war, said today that final Allied victory might come soon.

Churchill said that in France the driving American Army might be approaching Rennes, half-way across the Brest Peninsula, that United States forces were sweeping the Japanese before them in the Pacific, and that the Russians were "tearing the guts" out of the Germans on their front.

"I fear greatly to raise false hopes," Churchill said, "but I no longer feel bound to deny that victory may perhaps come soon."

He expressed confidence that Japan's final defeat would not be long delayed after the destruction of the German war machine.

He paid the highest tribute to the share of the United States and the brilliance of its military leaders. He said frankly of Russia's gigantic struggle that without her it might have taken Great Britain and the United States years to crush Germany.

STRESSES 20-YEAR TREATY

"I salute Marshal Stalin, the great champion of a great country, and I firmly believe that our 20-year treaty with Russia will prove to be one of the most lasting and durable factors in preserving the peace and good order of Europe," Churchill said.

Turning to Normandy, Churchill said that after the Allied invasion plan was first discussed at Quebec, he and President Roosevelt promised Marshal Joseph Stalin at Teheran in December "that we would put this plan or something like it in operation at the end of May or the beginning of June, and he promised that the whole of the Russian armies would be thrown as indeed they have been—into a general battle in the east."

In his opinion, the Prime Minister continued, this is "a hopeful moment for Poland." He regarded it as very reasonable that the Soviet Union should demand a friendly Poland in view of the injuries the Soviets suffered from the German armies which marched across Poland to attack her.

"The Allies would welcome any general rally or fusion of all Polish forces, both those working with the western forces and those working with the Soviets," he said. "It would be a marvelous thing if that could be proclaimed or at least its foundation laid at a moment when Warsaw is being liberated by the bravery of the Russian armies."

YUGOSLAV "IMPROVEMENT"

The situation in Yugoslavia has "sensibly improved" since he last spoke, Churchill declared.

He warned that Romanians must primarily make their own terms with Russia, "whom they so outrageously assaulted and at whose mercy they will lie soon."

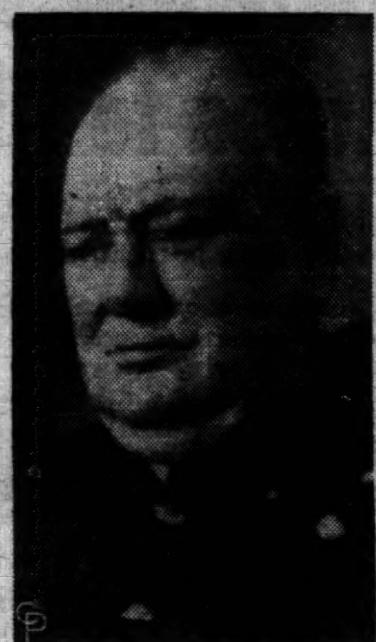
Bulgaria's moment of repentance has not yet passed, "but it is passing swiftly," he said.

In one aspect of the war alone did Churchill give the Germans the edge—their barbaric robot bomb attacks on London. He warned that the great city might be subjected to even greater trials but he proudly reaffirmed that the Germans would never break the spirit of London or affect the course of the war.

He announced that the Germans had launched 5,340 flying bombs against Britain so far, killing 4,735 persons and injuring 14,000 more or less seriously.

He said about 1,000,000 persons had been evacuated from London since the flying bomb attack began. He estimated that between June 15 and July 31, some 4,500 tons of flying bombs were launched against Britain, compared with 48,000 dropped on Germany by the Allies in the same period.

"If the Germans imagine the



WINSTON CHURCHILL

continuance of this present attack will have the slightest effect on the course of the war or upon the resolve of the nation or upon the morale of the men, women and children who are under fire," he said, "they will only make another of those psychological blunders for which they have so long been celebrated."

After paying tribute to the arrival of the Brazilian expeditionary force in Italy, Churchill said:

"As an Englishman, I may be pardoned for thinking at this moment of another great South American country with which we've had close ties of friendship and mutual interest since her birth in her liberty and independence. I refer to Argentina."

He warned that all nations must be judged by the part they play, implying that Argentina's failure to join wholeheartedly in the Allied war effort would be in her disfavor after peace is declared.

Vatican Windows Broken by Mine

VATICAN CITY, Aug. 2 (UP).—Explosion of a mine near the monastery of Santa Monica, on Italian soil, today broke windows in Vatican City and nearly St. Peter's Basilica.

Themine was uncovered by a monk of the monastery, and it was reported that he attempted to render it harmless. He was killed in the explosion.

UAW Removes Strike Leaders

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 2 (UP).—The executive board of the CIO United Automobile Workers today tossed Nestor Dassy, president, and all other officers of striking Local 236 out of office, and called upon 7,000 union members to return to their jobs at the General Motors Chevrolet plant in Detroit.

R. J. Thomas, international UAW president, said Melvin Bishop, executive board member for Detroit's east side, would run the local union "until the restoration of normal conditions."

He said Bishop had called a meeting of the local for 7 o'clock tonight and that a back to work vote probably would be taken then.

Thomas explained the dismissals were ordered because the board felt the officers in charge of the local had failed "to exert themselves sufficiently in compliance with the no-strike pledge to the federal government."

The executive board will continue in session the rest of the week.

Red Army Sweeps Towns; Is 8 Miles from East Prussia

LONDON, Aug. 2 (UP).—Marshal Ivan S. Konev's 1st Ukrainian Army, smashing across the southern Polish plains toward the Reich, has driven to within 122 miles of German Silesia while to the north, other Soviet troops under General Ivan D. Cherniaevsky are only eight miles from East Prussia proper, Moscow revealed tonight.

Marshal Konev's forces, racing westward from Przemysl, today captured the Polish city of Rzeszow, 90 miles east of Krakow, the last Polish city before the German border, and drove their closest to the Reich with the capture of Strzyzow, 15 miles southwest of Rzeszow.

In the thunderous drive to East Prussia, three Soviet armies forged ahead toward Tilsit and the great rail junction of Insterburg.

Thirty-six year old Gen. Cherniaevsky's forces, blasting through strong German defenses before the borders of Germany's easternmost province, recaptured Didzial, eight miles from the great estates of the German Junkers.

Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, announcing the crime to Parliament, said the Swiss government had been requested to lodge a strong protest with the German government, demanding an immediate searching investigation, punishment of those responsible and assurance that orders will be issued to prevent a recurrence. He said the soldiers were slain while in custody of the 12th SS Reconnaissance Battalion.

All Canadian units in France were told officially that the murdered men were their comrades in a statement issued by Lt. Gen. H. D. G. Crerar, Canadian commander-in-chief.

Finns Study New Cabinet

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 2 (UP).—Finnish Party groups tonight were deep in discussion of members of a new government which will be named to aid Marshal Baron Carl Gustaf Mannerheim, new Finnish president.

The Cabinet is expected to be ready Friday evening, or by Saturday morning at the latest, Helsinki dispatches said. Mannerheim cannot formally assume office before that time because the third and final reading of the bill which will confirm him as president cannot be passed upon by Parliament until then.

There was as yet no comment from Moscow on the Finnish changes.

A Berlin dispatch to Morgontidningen said that any new Finnish peace move toward the Soviet Union and the cancellation of the pact between Ryt and German Foreign Minister Von Ribbentrop, which kept Finland in the war, would be considered in Berlin as "very serious with far reaching political and military consequences."

Alaska Route to USSR Clear of Foe

HEADQUARTERS, ALASKAN DEFENSE COMMAND.—Aug. 2 (UP).—Lend-Lease fighting equipment has been moving for 20 months without enemy opposition from the United States over a busy aerial route across Canada and Alaska to Siberia for trans-shipment to the Soviet front in Europe, it can now be revealed.

Since December, 1942, when surface convoys to Murmansk were being subjected to murderous attacks by German dive bombers

and U-boats, Soviet and United States ferry pilots have been flying lend-lease fighting equipment across the frozen top of the world.

The far north route not only is the longest aerial lend-lease channel, but also has proved the safest. Even when the Japanese were in the Aleutians and the Alaska mainland faced possible attack, the route was considered safe because of the growing Allied military outposts along the Alcan highway, the vast distances of the

north, the sub-Arctic winter cold in which planes cannot fly without special equipment, and the protection of the great coastal barrier ranges.

All lend-lease material is received in Alaska by a Soviet purchasing commission headed by civilian government representatives.

The battle equipment and supplies then are flown across Siberia to the Soviet arsenals and fighting fronts by hard-bitten veteran Red Air Force pilots.

Marcantonio Hails Sweeping Victory As People's Mandate for FDR Policies

By HARRY RAYMOND

The sweeping victory of Rep. Vito Marcantonio, in which he repeated his 1942 performance of winning both Democratic and Republican primaries in the 18th congressional district, left old-line reactionary political machine leaders groggy and crying for help yesterday.

Final official tallies show Marcantonio polled 10,051 votes in the Democratic primary of the newly apportioned district against 7,812 for Rep. Martin J. Kennedy, veteran isolationist.

Marcantonio took the Republican race by a narrower margin of 2,949 to 2,720 for Lieut. Robert C. Palmer, USNR. He was unopposed in his own party, the American Labor Party.

This was a people's victory, as pointed out by Marcantonio in his First Ave. headquarters after the votes had been counted.

"It proves," he said, "that political parties do not belong to the bosses but to the people enrolled in them. And it is significant that I campaigned in support of Franklin D. Roosevelt."

But the pompous Kennedy, long a foe of the New Deal and the President's war policies, saw a sinister plot in the whole affair, refused to accept the people's verdict and charged Tammany secretary Bert Stand and district leaders Clarence Neal and James Pember-ton let him down.

Results, however, show that district leaders, try as they did, could not deliver. The people decided the issue in spite of them. It was a people's victory in a fight against those who would steal the peace from the men and women who are fighting and dying for us.

DESPERATE KENNEDY

Kennedy threw in everything, including the kitchen sink, in an attempt to delude the voters. He used the President's name. He attempted to stampede the Irish Catholic vote by declaring the church and presumably God was on his side. He cried "red" and denounced the CIO Political Action Committee, staunch workers for Marcantonio, as "Communist."

But in his own districts, where he predicted he would win 2 to 1, his plurality was miserably low. In Kennedy's eighth he ran only 175 votes above Marcantonio. In the ninth his plurality was 306. And in the 10th, a predominantly Irish district, Kennedy was only 303 votes ahead.

Marcantonio, besides cutting deep into Kennedy's districts, swept his own 14th and 16th assembly districts, totaling in the 14th 1,098 votes against Kennedy's 229. In the Marcantonio corner.

the 16th Marcantonio got 3,091 votes to Kennedy's 945.

This victory was not scored with the aid of any old-line political leaders. Marcantonio's 113 election district captains are all rank and file representatives of the communities—trade unionists, American workers of Italian, Jewish, Spanish and Irish origin—Negro and white workers, professionals and small business men.

The victory becomes more significant when it is understood that 60 per cent of the registered voters came out in Kennedy's districts while 50 per cent voted in the Marcantonio strongholds.

Concerning the CIO and the Political Action Committee, which Kennedy and Manhattan Republican leader Thomas Curran spent so much time denouncing, Marcantonio declared:

"I am proud to have on my side the leaders of the CIO. I am proud and tickled to death the Political Action Committee fought for me in this campaign. We speak the language of the people."

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

And it is this language of the people that Marcantonio has been speaking so long in Congress, his fight for progressive labor legislation, his leadership in the fight against anti-Semitism, for equal rights for Negroes, against the poll-tax and his staunch support of the Roosevelt United Nations war policy—all these brought the votes that made him the choice of all three parties.

The Republican victory, it is true, was won by a small margin. But the entire vote was smaller in this primary. Yet despite the vigorous campaign of red-baiting and union-baiting conducted by Republican leader Curran and the lack of any real campaign on the part of Marcantonio against Lieut. Palmer, the plurality was substantial.

The low level of Curran's campaign—for it really was Curran who spoke for the GOP machine—can be gauged by his remarks after being apprised of defeat.

He made the Nazi-like suggestion that a company of Marines from Saipan should have been available in the 18th district, presumably under GOP command, to oppose the Marcantonio landslide.

But an analysis of the campaign shows that most war vets in the district—former GI Joes—were in line with his stated position on Fish.

See Nov. Tide Engulfing Fish

NEWBURG, N. Y., Aug. 2.—Foes of Rep. Hamilton Fish are elated at the showing made in Tuesday's GOP primaries against him by Augustus W. Bennet, his Republican opponent.

With 26 districts out of 278 not yet reported, the figures show that Bennet piled up 10,891 votes to Fish's 13,975. Thus Bennet won about 44 percent of the total vote cast in the primary. His backers had set 40 percent as the figure to shoot at.

It is believed here that barring some drastic changes in the situation, Fish's congressional career is nearing its end. Bennet is the candidate of the Democratic and American Labor Parties and is beginning to circulate petitions for an independent party line on which anti-Fish Republicans can vote.

FISH LOSES 2 COUNTIES

The returns show that Fish lost two of the four counties in his district, and may possibly lose a third. His single safe county, Orange, is the only one remaining from his former district. He has a powerfully entrenched political machine here, well-oiled patronage. It cast better than half the votes in the GOP primary, giving Fish a 5,000 plurality.

Of his new districts, he lost Rockland by a two-to-one vote and Delaware by nearly that. Delaware is one of the most solidly Republican counties in the state. In Sullivan, Fish was a hundred votes ahead with nine districts not yet heard from.

Speculation centered here today on the position of the National Republican Committee and the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, as well as on Governor Dewey's attitude in the fight between Fish and Bennet.

Last week the Governor denounced and repudiated Fish for injecting anti-Semitism into the campaign. It is believed the Governor could scarcely support him now even though he is the official candidate.

Some days before Gov. Dewey's repudiation of Fish, Rep. Charles A. Halleck of Indiana, head of the GOP Congressional Campaign Committee, said the Committee would support Fish if he should win the primary. People here are now watching to see whether Gov. Dewey, who has frequently attacked the President for his alleged failure to get on with Congress, can bring the Republican Congressmen into line with his stated position on Fish.

buke to Republicans claiming to control the Negro vote.

Significant too is the fact that Warner carried only those die-hard, white Republican districts which for years have been the backbone of an entrenched machine. Warner campaigned on an anti-FDR, red-baiting platform, appealing to voters "not to let the fourth termers sabotage our Republican Party."

A great cheer and a standing ovation were accorded Mrs. Jackson as she addressed her campaign workers after the returns had come in.

"The campaign has just begun," she said. "The true story will be told by the Negro and white women of the 17th, many of whom heard of a primary for the first time, much less took part in one. They put up a gallant fight against machine politics and they are now well aware of the issues at stake. Until today we were just campaigning. Now we're fighting."

Defeatist Sen. Clark Loses to McKittrick

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 2.—Late returns today indicated that Attorney General Roy McKittrick defeated Senator Bennet Champ Clark in the Democratic senatorial primaries Tuesday.

With 3,245 of the state's 4,516 election precincts reporting, McKittrick had 129,000 to 113,746 for Clark. Most districts yet to be heard from were rural districts, where McKittrick had his chief strength.

The contest was one of the key primary fights in the nation, because of Clark's past record of defeatism and reaction. Shrewd enough to realize that the people are behind FDR, Clark pictured himself as having turned over a new leaf by becoming a stalwart Roosevelt man. The people, however, decided not to trust him, and turned to a man whose pro-Roosevelt attitude was unquestioned.

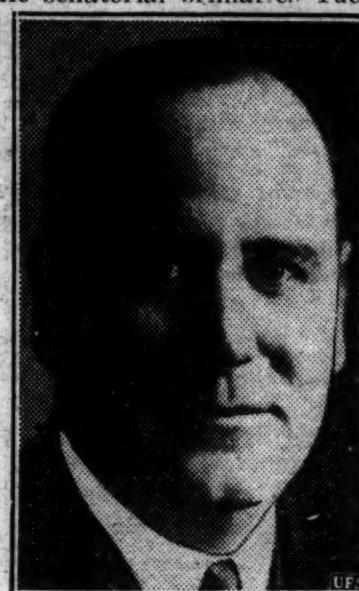
The surprising feature of the result was the fact that McKittrick took St. Louis by a considerable margin. Forecasts had placed both St. Louis and Kansas City in the Clark column, while McKittrick was expected to pick up his votes in the rural areas. As it happened, McKittrick's St. Louis majority cancelled out Clark's Kansas City majority.

CIO A FACTOR

The work of labor, especially the CIO Political Action Committee, is considered one reason for McKittrick's excellent showing in St. Louis.

Attention in the state was also centered on the fight to defeat Roger Slaughter, anti-Roosevelt Democratic Congressman representing the fifth district in Kansas City. His chief opponent was Jerome Walsh, son of the famous liberal attorney Frank P. Walsh.

With only 20 precincts not yet reported of the 270 in the district, Slaughter was leading Walsh by a narrow margin. The vote was 11,177 for Slaughter to 10,703 for Walsh. A third candidate, William A. Kitchin, who got into the race through an unfortunate error, polled 2,279. Had Kitchin not been in the fight, Walsh would have won.



CHAMP CLARK

Byrd Machine Jolted in Race

NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 2.—The Harry A. Byrd machine in the Democratic Party got a severe rebuke yesterday when its candidate, Ralph Daughton, barely squeezed through to get a 500 vote lead in the unofficial tabulation in the Second Congressional primary.

Vivian Page, who is running second, captured the majority of the votes in Norfolk and Portsmouth, key shipbuilding areas. Page was an out-and-out anti-Byrd and pro-administration man.

The race turned up a "dark horse" in the person of Porter Hardy, a farmer, who, rumor says, was actually put up to split the farm vote from Page and thus assure victory in a three-cornered race for the discredited Byrd machine. That seems to be what happened, with Hardy getting most of the farm vote away from Page, who apparently would have won by several thousand votes if he had had to contend only with an open Byrd candidate. Hardy was generally regarded by the voters as an anti-Byrd man, and, although unknown in the political field, polled almost 6,000 votes.

Page was endorsed by labor, progressive business and community leaders. Slanderous attacks, worthy of Goebbels, were leveled at Page during the last hours of the campaign, in particular by Winder Harris, the present Congressman from this district.

Harris did not dare to run for reelection because of the increase of voters originally barred by the polltax and to higher registration.

The Negro voters went all out for Page, as a result of attacks upon them by the Byrd machine when they were refused delegates at the Virginia State Democratic convention last month. Page, however, neglected to carry on a vigorous enough campaign among the farmers and through the counties.

Anti-Byrd people are already discussing the possibility of completely routing the Byrd machine in this district by putting up a pro-Roosevelt Democrat to oppose Daughton and the Republican, T. L. Woodward in the November elections.

Andrews Wins; Ada Jackson Shows Strength

By LOLA PAINE

Assemblyman William T. Andrews, dean of Negro legislators, won the Democratic nomination in Manhattan's 12th assembly district on Tuesday by about 350 votes after a tough fight against the local machine, late returns showed yesterday. Andrews was unopposed in the American Labor Party primary.

At the same time, Mrs. Ada B. Jackson, Negro woman leader in Brooklyn's 17th A. D., won the ALP nomination for assembly but lost by a small margin in the Republican primary, which she had entered against Louis J. Warner, Republican designee.

At Mrs. Jackson's headquarters, unofficial counts were 312 against Warner's 87 in the ALP, and 521 against Warner's 799 in the Republican primary.

Andrews will run against Philip Watson, Republican, in November.

The Democratic candidate in Mrs. Jackson's district will be John J. Walsh.

Both legislative contests were significant. Andrews' victory was an expression of popular desire to send a pro-FDR man back to the State Legislature despite the objection of Herbert L. Bruce, Democratic district leader, who has been aligned with certain reactionary forces in Tammany. Bruce opposed Andrews allegedly because Andrews refused to enter the congressional race against A. Clayton Powell.

REBUKE TO GOP

Mrs. Jackson's small margin of defeat in the 17th's Republican primary was in one sense a victory. Opposing a Republican machine which had been uncontested for about 15 years, she came through with a powerful Negro vote which signifies independent political action on the part of the Negro people. This is a sharp re-

"We won't let any Republican machine scare us from the full backing of the President and his policies."



ADA JACKSON

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Powell Victory a Milestone

Pre-November Signposts—All FDR Men Win

Pro-Roosevelt congressional candidates who had to fight for their nomination in Tuesday's primaries in the city came out on top in every instance.

Besides the primary sweeps of Rep. Vito Marcantonio and Adam Clayton Powell, final returns in the Democratic primaries showed victories by a wide margin for Rep. Donald L. O'Toole in Brooklyn's 13th district, Rep. Charles A. Buckley in the 25th in the Bronx, and Assemblyman Peter Quinn in the 26th, also in the Bronx. All three have the American Labor Party endorsement.

Rep. O'Toole refused the designation by the Kelly machine, was backed by a popular coalition of labor, professionals and small business which conducted a vigorous campaign for his reelection. The wide support given him was based on his thoroughly pro-FDR, pro-labor congressional record. With that backing, he won by a vote of 7,026 to 5,500 against his machine-backed opponent, James A. McGough.

Veteran Brooklyn political observers say this is the first time a Kelly-designated candidate was beaten in the primaries.

FRONTER SWAMPED

In the Bronx's 25th, Rep. Charles A. Buckley beat his pro-Christian Front opponent, Assemblyman John A. Devany, by a vote of 11,497 to 8,447. Buckley was also actively supported by a coalition of labor and small businessmen because of his pro-Roosevelt record. Devany conducted a bitter, anti-Semitic campaign and appeared to be exceedingly well-heeled financially.

In the Bronx's 26th district, the regularly - designated Democratic candidate, Assemblyman Peter A. Quinn, was opposed by the notorious pro-fascist, Jeremiah F. Cross who, when state commander of the American Legion, carried on a violent campaign of repression against progressive political expression in the state. He used to be a featured speaker at pro-fascist rallies in the Bronx.

Quinn, who has a good record in the Assembly, defeated him by a vote of 6,936 to 3,912.

GOP Governors Meet To Map 'States Rights'

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 2.—Republican governors from 26 states, including Gov. Thomas E. Dewey and Gov. John W. Bricker, the GOP candidates for president and vice-president, gathered here today to discuss "areas of disagreement" between the federal government and the states.

According to Gov. Dewey, the real war in which America is engaged today is between the states and the national government. Purpose of the meeting, he said, is to end this warfare.

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The Rev. Adam Clayton Powell, who won the Democratic, Republican and ALP nominations for Congress is shown addressing a pre-primary meeting called by the Furriers Joint Council.

State ALP, City CIO Hail Primary Salutes to FDR

The State American Labor Party and the City CIO yesterday characterized Tuesday's sweeping election of New York win-the-war Congressmen as the people's stinging rebuke to "reactionary groups attacking President Roosevelt's splendid leadership."

AMERICAN LABOR PARTY STATE HEADQUARTERS:

"These splendid victories foreshadow a tremendous Roosevelt majority in New York on Nov. 7. The powerful surge of the progressive political movement in New York City will score heavily too in electing a win-the-war and win-the-peace Congress and a progressive State Legislature which will not be subservient to the dictates of Governor Thomas E. Dewey."

"A progressive Congress will prepare the country for full employment after the war by a well-balanced reconversion program. It will insure a permanent and lasting peace and provide an opportunity for all Americans to lead decent lives."

"New York State under the administration of Gov. Dewey has failed signal to maintain the democratic pace of the last twenty years. Dewey's machine control of the State Legislature throttled progressive legislation in Albany. The progressive minority in the Legislature was ready to accept the simplified Federal War Ballot against Gov. Dewey's will. A progressive majority in the State Legislature will once more make possible advances in all fields of social and economic legislation in the State of New York."

In congratulatory messages to Congressmen Vito Marcantonio, Charles A. Buckley, Donald L. O'Toole and Dr. A. Clayton Powell, Benjamin Fielding, state executive secretary of the American Labor Party, said: "Heartiest congratulations on your resounding victory which reflects the faith and confidence of the people of your district in your progressive leadership and devoted support of President Roosevelt. Best wishes!"

GREATER N. Y. CIO COUNCIL:

"The results in the four major primary contests in New York City were a ringing endorsement and support of President Roosevelt's War leadership and a definite barometer for overwhelming victory for President Roosevelt in the November election."

"More than 4,000 CIO members were on the job at the primary polls throughout the city yesterday. The CIO gave active support to Congressmen Vito Marcantonio, Charles A. Buckley, Donald L. O'Toole and Dr. Adam Clayton Powell Jr., who won in primary contests yesterday."

"In the victories of Marcantonio and Powell in all three primaries," said a joint statement by Curran and Mills, "have the indisputable evidence that Democrats, Republicans and laborites alike are for President Roosevelt and will turn out in droves this year to assure his reelection. In the results of all four contests, the enrolled voters showed their abhorrence for isolationism and boss control both in the Republican and Democratic parties in this state."

"The CIO was glad to play a role in bringing about the victory for the win-the-war, pro-Roosevelt candidates in yesterday's election and will immediately concern itself with the job of bringing out a record registration for the Nov. 7 election."

Raise Cleveland Paper Mountain

CLEVELAND, Aug. 2.—Doubling the goal with a collection of 8,000,000 pounds of waste paper, Cleveland's victory paper salvage drive smashed way over the top Sunday.

Hundreds of union teamsters, enrolled by Edward Murphy, president of the Teamsters District Council, volunteered for the job and moved the paper to waiting freight cars, warehouses and emergency lake front storage grounds.

1/3 of Ala. County Registrants Negroes

BIRMINGHAM, Aug. 2.—Nearly one-third, or 122 of the 374 registrants of new Jefferson County voters for the period from June 28 to Aug. 7, are Negroes, it was learned here today. Despite efforts by members of the board of registrars to "funk" applicants for registration, only 27 failed. These will try again when the books are opened in August.

By MAX GORDON

There was quiet elation in Harlem yesterday as its citizens reviewed Adam Clayton Powell's sweep of the three primaries in the 22nd congressional district Tuesday.

The sweep makes the ex-Councilman, preacher and dynamic people's leader the first Negro to be sent to Congress from New York State, an event of immense significance in the political life of the state and, for that matter, of the nation.

Powell, unopposed in the American Labor Party primary, took the Democratic primary by the lopsided vote of 8,862 to 1,934, the unofficial tally showed. He beat Republican designated Mrs. Sara Pelham Speaks, by 3,115 to 2,263 in the Republican primary despite desperate efforts to stop him with scurrilous, last-minute "smear" literature. Mrs. Speaks was also his Democratic opponent.

POWERFUL VOICE IN HOUSE

Powell said yesterday he expected to register as a Democrat in Congress. He will unquestionably be the most powerful Negro voice to be raised in the House in modern times. It will be interesting to watch the reactions of Rep. John Rankin and other "white supremacists" when Powell answers their insults against the Negro people.

His victory in the Republican primary is being carefully studied by national leaders of both parties and by political commentators. He campaigned on a pro-Roosevelt platform, never pulling his punches on that issue. The fact that so many Negro Republican voters cast their ballots for him though he ran frankly as a pro-Roosevelt candidate appears to belie Republican talk of an anti-Roosevelt trend among the Negroes.

Already known nationally because of his struggles on behalf of Negro rights and as publisher of the Negro weekly, the People's Voice, Powell's victory makes him an outstanding political figure among the Negroes of America.

TO PRESS FDR SUPPORT

That he expects to use his influence on behalf of FDR's reelection was indicated at a press conference yesterday when he reiterated his support for the President.

He also advanced as his objective the fight for a national civil rights bill which would end Jimcrow in housing, transportation, the armed forces, which would abolish the polltax, make lynching a federal crime and establish a permanent Fair Employment Practices Committee.

In addition, he said he would fight for an all-out, uncompromising victory at home and abroad against every type of fascism, and would cooperate at all times in aiding the passage of all legislation that is "100 percent win-the-war, win-the-peace, pro-labor and pro-minority."

News Capsules

Dough-Re-Meow

At Dedham, Mass., millionaire Boston lawyer, Woodbury Rand, who died on July 3, left \$10,000 for the care of his short-haired tiger male cat named "Junior." Of that sum, Mrs. Margaret Thompson, his housekeeper, was left \$40,000 to care for the animal. Nine cousins were excluded from the will because of their contemptuous attitude toward the cat. The remainder of the estate, estimated at \$1,000,000, was left to an aunt.

Young Jimmie Larsen, 12, of Council Bluffs, Ia., became somewhat of a local celebrity among his pals for a few hours yesterday when a whistle which he had put in his mouth to hide became lodged in his windpipe. With each breath he emitted a

shriek whistle. It was extracted successfully at a hospital.

Agreement was reached between the War Food Administration and the Office of Price Administration to make utility grade beef steaks and roasts ration point free beginning Aug. 13.

The commercial grade will continue to be rationed. On that date, pork loins and ham loins are

slated to return to the ration list.

Staff Sgt. Herman A. Schafer of Flushing, N. Y. was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross at a redistricting Center in Atlantic City, N. J. He participated in 30 missions as a gunner on a Liberator bomber and was cited for "materially aiding in the success of these missions by warding off many enemy attacks."

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A GOOD DAY



They're Saying in Washington

Circuses and Votes in the South

by Adam Lapin

WASHINGTON. THE name of Col. T. H. Barton will probably be unfamiliar to you. He's just the fellow who ran third in the recent Arkansas Senatorial primary.

But I remember reading a long story about Col. Barton a few weeks ago while I was waiting for a train in Kenosha, Wis. It seems that Col. Barton, who is a wealthy oil operator, was sweeping through Arkansas with a streamlined motor caravan which included, in addition to a masseur, a barber, press agents and lots of secretaries, a troupe of professional entertainers.

When the caravan came into town, Jamup and Honey and the Tennessee Plowboys put on a show and Col. Barton made a speech. Col. Barton's entourage was reported to have played to crowds of from 3,000 to 7,000 in each of 11 Arkansas towns, and his manager claimed a crowd of 15,000 in Little Rock.

The good people of Arkansas apparently enjoyed Col. Barton's free entertainment, which is one of the little items now being explored by investigators of the Senate Campaign Expenditures Committee—and then voted for Rep. W. H. Fulbright, a serious young man who was a Rhodes scholar and then became president of the University of Arkansas.

Fulbright sponsored the House resolution bearing his name, which pledges the United States to international collaboration after the war. While his voting record is by no means exemplary on all issues, Fulbright was also one of the Southern Congressmen who voted for a Federal ballot for servicemen.

Pappy O'Daniel Technique Weakening

The Pappy O'Daniel school of politics, free entertainment and free biscuits all served up with a generous dash of native fascism, doesn't seem to win elections in the South any more.

Senator Cotton Ed Smith's de-

feat in the recent South Carolina primary marked the repudiation of an even more sinister brand of political "entertainment." Cotton Ed's stock speech for years has been a lurid and detailed description of an alleged rape of a white girl by a Negro. It was known as "the speech" among his constituents.

As everywhere in the country, the people of the South have been taking their politics seriously. Circuses and appeals to bigotry and ignorance haven't been going over lately.

Within the framework of the one-party system of the South, there is being waged a bitter struggle between those who favor President Roosevelt's forward-looking policies and the die-hard Bourbons of the string-tie and magnolia blossom type.

And almost every time the people have gotten a chance to vote on the issues the old-line reactionaries have been defeated and Roosevelt candidates have been elected. Now the gradual breaking down of the white primary means that the Roosevelt forces will have another potent ally.

These are facts. And it was because of them that the anti-Roosevelt crowd from the South made such a poor showing at the Democratic convention. The Bourbons knew that they did not have popular support, and so did everyone else.

FDR Gains Strength in Texas

The most noise was made by the anti-Roosevelt Texas delegation, picked by the same state convention which threatened the now notorious electoral college steal. But the recent county con-

ventions in Texas showed an overwhelming defeat for the anti-Roosevelt group, and it appears certain that the new state convention on Sept. 12 will be controlled by Roosevelt delegates.

The Republicans do not dare to enter a public political alliance with the anti-Roosevelt Democrats of the South. They know what it would cost them in votes not only of Negroes but of millions of other citizens in the North. And that is why the boom for Senator Harry Byrd of Virginia as Tom Dewey's running mate never got to first base.

It is a little known fact that Ed O'Neal, the president of the Farm Bureau Federation, who is a big farmer in his own right in Alabama, approached Dewey shortly before the Republican convention with a proposition for a Democratic-Republican Party, consisting of Republicans and anti-Roosevelt Southern Democrats, which would try to steal the Jeffersonian traditions. This deal was also rejected, and for the same reason.

So the Republicans simply work with the die-hard polltaxers in Congress. And they throw their strength to them behind the scenes in important southern political contests. It is no secret that the Texas state convention was packed with Republicans, and that Republican financial interests came through with funds and personnel.

The Republicans are supporting the most reactionary polltaxers in their desperate effort to stem the new political tides which are enveloping the South. This is something the GOP can try to explain to the Negro voters whom it is trying to entice with pre-election promises.

Worth Repeating

SOVIET RUSSIA TODAY, in editorial in its current (August) issue entitled The Steel Ring Tightens, says of Nazi "hopes": The Germans know they are beaten. But we must not be lulled into overconfidence by this fact. Their arsenal still contains words and weapons that can be used with deadly effect. Max Werner, the astute military analyst wrote recently: "Protraction of the war by the side that knows it has lost makes sense if such action convinces the enemy—or any part thereof—that the price of victory will be too high, and that negotiated peace would be preferable. Prolonged defense need not win the war; it need only frighten the enemy out of fighting through to the end." Thus Germany's sole objective at the present time is to delay defeat. That is the explanation both of the robot bombs and the current propaganda.

The Jig Is Up

HITLER sure is hard up if an ally like Finland and a neutral like Turkey have now decided to scurry for safety.

In Finland there has been a sudden resignation by the outright pro-German president, Risto Ryti, and in his place the Finnish Parliament has chosen "Butcher" Mannerheim.

We do not think that Mannerheim is being brought forward for any last-ditch mobilization to continue the war; on the contrary, it looks more like an effort to get out of the war. But neither do we think any cheers are in order for Mannerheim or the whole Finnish ruling clique.

The people of Finland, like the entire democratic world, will remember that Mannerheim led the armies alongside Germany when he thought that Hitler would win. The Finnish people will no doubt make their own reckoning with this fact at the proper time.

As for Turkey's break of relations with Germany, nobody can say this is a rash decision. The Turkish ruling circles are looking out for themselves, admittedly on a signal from London. They want to find some place at the peace table. If Germany attacks in an act of desperate bravado, no doubt the Turkish armies can play a role in clearing the Aegean Sea and perhaps the Balkans, of the enemy. Anyway, the Turkish action is the bell of doom for Bulgaria, Hungary and Romania, and will accelerate the complete decomposition of Hitler's New Order.

In this case, too, the democratic world will not forget how long Turkey waited, even when the cause of the United Nations was at its lowest point. The fact is that the valiant peoples of the Soviet Union, the British Commonwealth, our own Americas, and the staunch partisans of Yugoslavia, France, Norway and Poland were the ones who broke the back of the Nazi beast. Finland and Turkey are only drawing the conclusions.

Today's Guest Column

A kind of sequel to my column of two weeks ago in which I discussed the significant, new recognition being given in British, French and other circles to the applicability of Soviet experience to the colonial problems of Africa and other areas, I want to say something today about how the people of Africa themselves view this matter.

Yes, Africans today are learning and talking about the Soviet Union. An Allied Labor News Dispatch tells of African delegates participating in the Soviet Friendship Congress held in Johannesburg, South Africa, a few days ago. In an unprecedented action, these delegates were admitted to a "European Only" theatre to see a special preview of "The North Star."

Some weeks ago, a parade of African troops, paying honor to Red Army victories, was held at Accra, capital of the Gold Coast, a British West African colony, once a main source of slaves for America. As the black troops marched past the reviewing stand, upon which sat the Governor, paramount chiefs, and other African leaders, the Soviet flag was unfurled and the African military band played the new Soviet national anthem.

Symbolic of the new relations between Africa and the USSR, paralleling the closer ties between that continent and the USA, was the establishment early this year of full



by Alphaeus Hunton
(Pinchhitting for Max Yergan)

diplomatic relations by Ethiopia with the Soviet Union, and the presentation of a gift, a gold shield, from Emperor Haile Selassie to the Mayor of Stalingrad.

As the war has made the whole world smaller, so it has brought Africa closer to the great land of the Soviets, as well as to America. New airports and air routes across Africa from the west coast to the east have made that continent a cross-roads between the Americas and the USSR.

WITH their increasing knowledge of the Soviet Power, African leaders are more frequently citing the contrast between the failure of the European colonial administrations, during a half century or longer, to provide any appreciable social advancement for the masses of Africans under their rule, and the remarkable success of the Soviet government in bringing social well-being and economic efficiency to millions of heterogeneous peoples who 25 years ago were in a state of colonial serfdom comparable to that of the most "backward" Africans.

The editor of the West African Pilot, for example, points to the Soviet achievements in education in answering those who argue that "Nigeria would be unable to wipe out illiteracy within living memory." Stating that illiteracy had been reduced from 90 percent in Tsarist Russia to less than 10 percent to-

People of Africa Learn From the USSR

day, he declares, "Nigeria can profit from the experience of Soviet Russia in the realm of education." Means must be found, he says, for making education for Africans free, compulsory, and universal.

SOVIET ideas of collective agriculture and industrial enterprise find a ready understanding and appreciation among Africans. Prior to the coming of the European and the consequent disruption of the traditional tribal life, the primitive communal system of sharing labor and property prevailed in African society. The land belonged to no individual but to the tribe or the village; no one who shared in the work went hungry. The introduction and spread of the capitalist wage-system has not been able to destroy this heritage. Communal practices still survive in the hinterland, and in the more advanced sections Africans have been able to develop, despite the economic handicaps of imperialism, some successful cooperative enterprises of their own in such fields as cocoa production.

Basically, a people cannot develop until they have a goal which is in their own interests and of their own choosing. If the United Nations face the fact squarely and substitute a policy of cooperation on a plane of equality for the outmoded system of imperialist exploitation and colonial tutelage, African and other colonial peoples can advance rapidly, as the Soviet people have advanced, to assume their proper share of responsibility in a world of collective security.

Listen Here,



Mr. Editor

Use of Maps

Manhattan.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The day after I went down to the CIO War Chest Committee to protest against the map used as a background in poster I find that you have used the same map on Saturday, July 29. Within the past two weeks, a reader wrote to you reprimanding your reference to Minsk as the last of the Russian capitals to be recaptured. He asked about the capitals of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. You accepted the criticism. But in the map used, on Saturday, July 29, these three Baltic republics appear as three countries. May I suggest the map printed by the American Russian Institute to be used by the Daily Worker. May I also hope that you will use your influence to stop the issuance of these posters by the CIO.

LILLIAN STEIN.

The Spirit Of Our Boys

Detroit, Mich.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I am enclosing herewith an excerpt from a letter which I received this week from my husband, who is a private on the staff of one of the American Expeditionary Radio Stations somewhere in the South Pacific:

"While I was in the hospital I met several fellows who had seen action in different places, mostly young fellows. And despite all the terrible experiences they had gone through they were still nice clean-cut boys, with their sensibilities not dulled. I thought of an article I had read about how the boys who came back would behave as far as gentleness and breeding were concerned. These boys in the ward helped each other, and were very solicitous as to their buddies' welfare, even though they had only met in the hospital. And they didn't do these things begrudgingly. In addition they all retained their sense of humor and equilibrium and joked about the times when they had been scared most. All of them will probably go back to combat duty."

MRS. G. S.

Herald Tribune, Then and Now

Manhattan.

Editor, Daily Worker:

An editorial in the N. Y. Herald Tribune, Nov. 15, 1941, approving the rejection by the President of a demand put to him by the arrogant John L. Lewis ends with this paragraph:

"Lewis, the head of a private organization of miners, would insist that the President of the United States acknowledge his (Lewis') autocracy or face a stoppage of defense production. Even Hitler, one imagines, might shrink from the expression of so much gall."

Well, this same John L. Lewis who hates the President is known to be actively supporting the choice for President of the peanut-minded GOP bosses. The Herald Tribune seems to be pleased for it remains significantly silent about mine fuhrer Lewis' help to Dewey's political ambitions. All kinds of anti-democratic elements are climbing on Dewey's bandwagon of reaction. America, beware.

ADELA ORVIS.

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.

The Utah Elections

Salt Lake City.

UTAH has the distinction of having a 100 per cent progressive, win-the-war, pro-Roosevelt delegation in Washington. The records of Sens. Elbert Thomas and Abe Murdock, and Congressmen J. Will Robinson and Walter Granger have (with minor exceptions) since 1933 been solidly in the interests of labor and the people of Utah and the nation.

Particularly since the war, their records have been unexcelled in support of the Commander-in-Chief and all legislation directed to promoting the nation's war effort. In the present session of Congress, they opposed the Dies Committee, they voted for adequate price control and subsidies, for the continuation of PWA and the Fair Employment Practices Committee, for the Lucas Soldier Vote bill and the GI bill of rights.

They worked and voted for the anti-poll-tax bill, for Lend Lease aid to our allies, etc. They vigorously opposed the Smith-Connally bill and the unfair and discriminatory tax measure and voted to uphold the President's veto.

Elbert Thomas is a key figure among the pro-FDR forces in the Senate. He did a great job as a member of the LaFollette Civil Liberties Committee in 1937-1939 in exposing anti-labor practices of reactionary corporations, labor spies and pro-fascist movements; and as chairman of the Senate Committee on Labor and Education he has recently come out for wage adjustments under the economic

State Proud of 100% Win-War Group In Congress, Intends to Keep It So

by Wallace Talbot

stabilization act through revision of the Little Steel formula.

On the basis of their consistently progressive records, Reps. Robinson and Granger, together with Sen. Thomas (Murdock's term doesn't expire until 1946), have the solid support of labor in Utah.

The mutual cordiality, agreement and unity of action of the Utah congressional bloc in Congress has had the effect of welding a unified Democratic party in Utah in their support. Not one of them was opposed on the Democratic slate in the recent state primary election July 11, and as a result their nominations were in effect, unanimous.

Despite these favorable developments, labor and the progressive people of the state have no illusions of an easy fight.

WHILE there is no formal unity between the CIO, AFL and Railroad Brotherhoods in the election campaign, they are in the main carrying out parallel action with regard to the main key candidates, namely Roosevelt and the congressional candidates. The UMWA, confined to two small counties in Utah has also endorsed the Democratic congressional candidates as well as the Democratic incumbent candidate for Governor, Herbert Maw.

The Negro organizations are solid for Senator Thomas and in the main for Roosevelt, although there is some confusion as a result of the work of agents of A. Philip Randolph.

The main weakness in the Democratic campaign lies in the lightly populated agricultural counties on the outskirts of the state.

They have been traditionally Republican with the exceptions of 1932 and 1936 when they gave Roosevelt substantial majorities. In 1940, however, they reverted back to the Republican column. Their organizations are mainly dominated by entrenched reactionaries who hate Roosevelt and anyone who supports him.

Opposition to FDR is mainly centered in the old guard of the Republican party, composed of the officialdom of the most anti-labor, anti-Roosevelt corporations together with the old local America First leadership, some of whom hold important leading positions in the Mormon Church. The three local daily papers are generally anti-Roosevelt with The Desert News identical in its views with the Hearst, McCormick Patterson press.

The GOP candidate who will oppose Thomas is the notorious Adam S. Bennion, an officer of the Utah Power and Light Co. Bennion has been fighting municipal power projects in the state defining them as "sovietyizing." He is Utah's leading professional red-baiter.

His present strategy in the campaign is directed to alienating the middle class and small business vote away from Thomas by charging Thomas with being exclusively a CIO labor candidate. The CIO has been alert to this danger for some time and together with the progressives in the Democratic Party leadership are broadening the campaign to include all sections of the state's population.

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'Reviews' that Distort Browder's Book

Some reviewers of Earl Browder's *Teheran, Our Path in War and Peace*, have done a fair and scholarly job. Others have merited the author's condemnation of "the degeneracy of American public discussion concerning the viewpoint of the Communists."

Writing in the Raleigh, N. C., News Observer, one writer hit the nail on the head:

"The author was kind enough to predict the theme that will characterize the various reviews of the book, a couple of which are: 'Browder glorifies Teheran because Stalin was there.' He is merely a stooge of Stalin so don't pay any attention to what he says," he wrote.

"I hope," the reviewer continued, "Mr. Browder will not be too surprised when I say that I gained no such deductions from his book. Indeed, I believe in Mr. Browder's sincerity in many of the convictions which he expresses. Certainly, we are indebted to this particular book for a strikingly clear and intelligent definition and explanation of what Communism really is, and

what Marxism has contributed and proposes to do for America." And this important southern newspaper even went to the trouble of digging up a photo of Browder—and a good one, too—to dress up its review!

A REVIEW AS PREDICTED

But on the other hand, a number of reviews have appeared which fully bear out Browder's opinions in regard to the general intellectual level and integrity of his latest book's press reception. The Los Angeles, Cal., Herald-Express critic writes: "Such a book should not be analyzed by a reviewer who does not believe that the new order began with the Teheran conference just because Stalin was there. After all, that conference was merely a meeting of individuals so far as Churchill and Roosevelt were concerned and not of nations. Only Mr. Stalin, as dictator of Russia, could pledge his country."

Another example of what Browder assailed as "elaborate falsification of the real position of the Communists," is this nug-

get from the aggrieved reviewer of the Cleveland, O., Press: "Why does he not stop talking about Marxism as though it were the end-all and the be-all of the political structure headed by Stalin . . . he talks about the Marxists as though they still had some influence in Russia outside the principle of collectivism (which is not regimentation)."

Or take this "review" from the Newark, N. J., Call: "He (Earl Browder) is willing at the drop of a manifesto, to tell what is wrong with the universe and, in the next breath, to offer panaceas . . . Teheran, to sum it up briefly, is a minor league version of Wendell Willkie's One World. It's hysterical and flagrant in text and erratic in thought."

The above extracts characterize only a few of the reviews that have appeared to date—a welcome sign of the potency of our national unity and the growing political maturity of the win-the-war forces in American life. A number of serious and thoughtful reviews, and several objective summaries,

of the contents of Browder's book have appeared in such diverse newspapers as the Lexington, Ky., Herald; the Hartford, Conn., Times, the Cincinnati, O., Enquirer the Tampa, Fla., Sunday Tribune, the San Francisco Chronicle, and many more, which space does not permit us to comment on. Only the great metropolitan dailies of New York maintain their clam-like and stubborn silence about a political book that has sold more than 125,000 copies since publication.

The political confusion and prejudice spread by the newspapers quoted above—which are more insidious and impermissible today than ever before—ought not to go unchallenged. The editors and reviewers of those newspapers should hear from their readers. Enlightened citizens of the cities and states in which these "reviews" appeared have the responsibility and the duty to correct such misstatements and distortions of the viewpoint of the Communists on so vital a matter as "our path in war and peace."

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Argentine Fascists Hurl Threats at U.S.

The war-minded Argentine fascists have given their arrogant reply to America's break with the Edelmiro Farrell regime by threatening to "bring the South American revolution to the United States."

This boastful threat was made July 27 in the pro-Nazi newspaper *La Fronda*, a key supporter of the Argentine regime.

Allied Labor News yesterday quoted the editorial as follows: "A French magazine represented the United States before the war

as being bossed by sixty-five Wall Street Jews. Things have not changed much since then. Thirty million Catholics in the United States are sentimentally with us.

"They must be given the necessary means to enable them to defend themselves. We must bring the South American revolution to the United States before the United States unleashes a Communist and Protestant revolution on our continent."

The day before this editorial appeared, Foreign Minister Orlando

Pelluffo had tried to assuage aroused anti-fascists opinion in the Americas, in a reply to Secretary of State Cordell Hull's White Paper on Argentina. Pelluffo denied bellicose, pro-Axis intentions.

La Fronda's aggressive statement reveals the real danger of the situation: the anti-United Nations, anti-Semitic stand of Argentina's rulers.

Its crass boast that American Catholics "sentimentally" favor Argentine fascism is an insult. The

idea that the United States plans any intervention in South America—"a Communist or Protestant revolution"—is a shameless fabrication. But its promise to give supporters in the United States "the necessary means to defend themselves" is a warning that the statement should not be brushed off lightly.

The threat to the United States is paralleled by greater provocation in regard to Uruguay, according to Andrew Gordon, Allied Labor News correspondent in Montevideo,

who quotes slogans displayed at the so-called "spontaneous" pro-government demonstration Sunday.

"Let us kill one Jew today, tomorrow one Uruguayan," was written on placards carried by members of the allegedly-suppressed Alianza Libertadores Nacionalista.

Demonstrators stoned Jewish-owned stores to emphasize their vicious anti-Semitism. Uruguay, Argentina's small, democratic neighbor to the north is slated for invasion on the Colonels' Lodge Hitlerian "living space" program.

Mme. Sun Sees Hope 22,000 Students Strike in Mexico, For Chinese Unity

North China's guerillas, still blockaded by Chungking troops, are "holding down half of the total Japanese forces in China," according to Mme. Sun Yat-sen, widow of the founder of Chinese democracy.

In a letter of May, 1944, addressed to Lady Cripps, chairman of Britain's United Aid to China Fund, and just released here by the China Aid Council, Mme. Sun welcomed funds for the International Peace Hospitals operating in the blockaded area.

Expressing hope that the Central government would soon permit supplies to be sent to the heretofore almost isolated hospitals, Mme. Sun outlined some recent trends pointing toward a "reconstruction of the united front" and "an end to the inexcusable blockade."

"The serious situation arising from almost seven years of war without adequate mobilization of the whole country for the fight against the aggressor and the tragic results of internal discord and past neglect driven home by our bitter defeat in Henan," she emphasized, "are convincing more and more of our people—in the government as well as out—that there is no way out except through a reconstitution of the united front."

POSSIBLE PRELUDE TO UNITY

Referring to the Kuomintang-Communist negotiations still in process and the trip of foreign correspondents to Yenan, the China Defense League head explained that "this may, although it does not yet, mean an end to the inexcusable blockade, and thus a prelude to greater national unity."

"It may, although it has not yet, lay the demoralizing spectre of civil war which has tied up great bodies of troops, checkmated every effort toward democracy, and prevented the employment of all patriots and all resources for the war that is deciding the life or death of our country."

Saying that most funds for International Peace Hospitals now come from the United China Relief in the United States, Mme. Sun concluded her letter to Lady Cripps with the hope "that the greater possibilities of helping our hospitals which may arise from greater unity in China will be accompanied by greater help to the sick and wounded of the guerilla areas who have been starved for so many years of funds, equipment, medical personnel and supplies."

Quezon Services In Washington

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y., Aug. 2.—(U. P.)—A special train is bearing the body of Manuel L. Quezon, 65, president of the Philippine Commonwealth, to Washington tonight for provisional burial in Arlington Cemetery until interment in his homeland is possible.

Quezon's widow and three children, who were with him when he died, will go to Washington by plane. Services will be at St. Matthew's Cathedral.

Back the Attack!



MME. SUN YAT-SEN

Urge Polish War Relief Send Help to Refugees in USSR

Immediate relief measures for 300,000 Polish citizens now in the Soviet Union awaiting return to their liberated homeland was urged today by the Polonia Society of the International Workers Order of New York in a message to Polish War Relief, in Chicago, official body authorized to raise relief for needy Poles abroad.

Signed by president of the Society, Boleslaw Gebert and its national secretary, Wojciech Haracz, the statement said:

"Children up to the age of 16, numbering 100,000 are most in need of help. Families of men in the armed forces, of whom there are approximately 150,000, are next in

need of help.

"Families of men in the exiled army of General Anders are treated exactly as are all others.

Items most urgently needed are listed as food, clothing, medicine, machinery and tools for cooperative production and articles of everyday use such as needles, combs and scissors.

"As an affiliate of the Polish War Relief, we request you to come to the assistance of the Polish people in the Soviet Union, who constitute the largest single group of Poles outside of Poland proper. They are in need of help; help should come from the United States," the statement urged.

26 Labor MP's Hit Franco Ties

By Wireless to Allied Labor News

LONDON, Aug. 2.—Pressure for the severance of Britain's ties with Spain grew this week as leading members of the Labor party, headed by Prof. Harold J. Laski, indicted Franco as "the first Quisling."

In a statement signed by 26 Labor M. P.'s, the group charged:

"Before Quisling himself, Franco was the first Quisling. Franco used victory to make Spain a vast prisonhouse where he denied men and women all the freedoms for which the United Nations are fighting. Franco has sent troops to assist Hitler against the Soviet Union. He has made Spain a center of supplies and espionage for our enemies. The Spanish people wish ardently for the victory of the United Nations, as they are convinced that this will represent their chance to drive out the usurper."

Set Hempstead GI Vote Days

Alarmed by the fact that only 4,000 of Nassau's 45,000 servicemen have made application for ballots, Mayor Herbert Mirschel of Hempstead has proclaimed tomorrow and Saturday as Ballots for Soldiers Day in the village. Hempstead is Nassau's largest community.

The Mayor, acting on a request from a broad, nonpartisan, citizens delegation, put the project before the all-Republican village board Tuesday night and got its approval.

On the two days specified, all organizations are being asked to contact the families of servicemen, urging them to call at the village hall, the police department or one of the USO headquarters for the necessary applications.

Mirschel is the second Republican Nassau mayor to initiate special steps to guarantee ballots for soldiers. Last week, Mayor Clinton M. Flint of Freeport carried through a similar project.

banners reading, "President Brito is an assassin."

CHARGES FILED.

The recognized leader of the student body has filed charges with the Attorney General, who is investigating the situation, stating that the University registrar, incited by President Brito, carried a pistol

and led armed thugs against the peaceful student demonstration.

El Popular, trade union daily, characterized President Brito as a gangster and a "totalitarian dictator of Mexican history." His "resignation," the editorial pointed out, could be compared to Darlan's leaving the sinking ship of French fascism. The labor paper recommended that the university be no longer free of democratic state control, as its isolation has not proved beneficial.

The Confederation of Mexican Youth has added its voice to the general denunciation of President Brito's use of "pistoleros," prize

fighters and fake students against the student body's protest meeting.

The student strikers are continuing their mourning and have requested an audience with Mexico's President Manuel Avila Camacho to seek Brito's permanent ouster.

Communist Named To Ecuador Cabinet

The first Communist ever to hold a cabinet post in South America has just been appointed in Ecuador, following the resounding electoral victory of the Democratic Alliance and President Jose Velasco Ibarra.

Alfred Vera, a Communist leader, has been appointed minister of education by President Velasco. Four Communists were elected deputies in last week's balloting.

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Arrowhead

Let 'er Roll

By WILLIAM ALBERTSON
Vice-President, Brooklyn Communist Political Association.

By the time this appears, every club executive secretary in Brooklyn will be personally and politically responsible for building the circulation of the Daily and Sunday Worker. Personally, in the sense that they will head the press committee in the club, and take responsibility for making these papers the major educational instrument of our members and the other people in the community. That can be done only by showing a decided increase in the circulation of these papers during this month. Politically, in the sense that they head the most important task of the Communist organization, the task of influencing thousands of community people for support to our Commander-in-Chief and his win-the-war and enduring peace policies. This also can be done primarily and most effectively through Daily Worker and Worker circulation.

With the primaries over, the job now is to get out the registration and the vote to guarantee the largest plurality for Roosevelt ever polled in a presidential election. An immediate, and a steadily increasing, circulation of our papers between now and Nov. 7, will be the means of clarifying the issues in the campaign, helping the workers of all pro-Roosevelt forces, parties, and committees to get out the vote.

The Brooklyn Communist Political Association clubs have worked out ways of carrying through the following suggestions, adopted last week at a meeting of club executive secretaries:

1. That the club executive secretary take full charge of building the circulation of the press as his ONLY task.

2. That the secretary have on his committee a person in charge of subscriptions and renewals, a person in charge of newsstand circulation, and a person in charge of street, factory, and public sales.

3. A campaign among our own members to get subscriptions for The Worker, to make a survey as to their reading of the Daily Worker regularly, and to make sure that the newsstands in the vicinity of the homes of our members carry the paper. This should be completed in August.

4. To arrange the necessary personnel for the sale of a minimum bundle order every day—seven days a week—at one spot in the community, be it subway station, movie theatre, factory, or otherwise. By the end of August, every club should have at least these minimum sales going.

5. Establishment of regular Daily Worker delivery routes in housing projects as well as in some other heavily populated sections of Brooklyn.

6. The convening of a community Daily Worker readers' conference to plan further promotion and circulation in the community.

We are not setting any objectives in campaign form. This is not a campaign. It is a day in and day out task, to obtain a decided increase in circulation and record steady improvements as we go along. To the extent that the circulation increases, to that extent will we be able to carry out our job of winning the people for victory in November.

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Polio Cases Show Increase for Week

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Yanks on Guam Race To Finish Off Enemy

ABOARD ADMIRAL CONOLLY'S FLAGSHIP OFF GUAM, (ELT) (Via Navy Radio) (UP).—With annihilation of a big Japanese force on the Orote Peninsula forecast—American troops on Guam raced along the neck of the island today, anxious to come to grips with the main body of enemy troops hiding in a heavily wooded plateau country in the northern part of the island.

This is no longer a battle to hold a few thousand yards of hard-won beachheads. A sure and confident American Army which has cut Guam in two, and which is acquiring momentum daily, is measuring in miles its advance toward the northern coast and final victory.

While the southern section of the island has become a hunting ground for mopping-up parties exterminating small groups of Japanese among the caves and ravines, in the northern section our line stretching from coast to coast is one big moving mass sweeping everything before it.

We are meeting little opposition.

Four towns, Maite, Utang, Pado and Pulan, fell undefended, bringing our left flank close to Dege, where a second Japanese airfield was recently constructed.

Hunts Point GI Vote Committee Set Up

The Hunts Point Committee for the Servicemen's Vote will hold an open air meeting Friday at Private Games Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 1029 E. 163d St. Tables will be set up in the neighborhood over the week-end for ballot application distribution.

Hunts Point Republican Leader Abraham Greenbush chaired the meeting of local political and community setting up the committee, whose officers include Harold H. Lowry, Irwin Blum and Dorothy Bergen.

Foe Flees in New Guinea

WITH THE SIXTH U. S. ARMY SOMEWHERE IN DUTCH NEW GUINEA, July 31 (Delayed) (UP).—American infantrymen, who seized a beachhead 12 miles east of Cape Sansapor at dawn on Sunday, overran Cape Sansapor itself without a single shot being fired by ground forces during the occupation.

Assuring completion of a firm hold on New Guinea's northern tip, our ground forces pressed westward along the beach, while other units made a shore-to-shore movement in small landing craft covered by naval bombardment which plastered the coastal area west of Cape Sansapor.

Infantrymen pushing into Cape Sansapor village encountered no opposition. They found fresh food on tables in the native huts, half-filled water buckets beside wells, and Japanese equipment strewn around hastily evacuated quarters, indicating the enemy forces fled a few hours previously, probably toward Sorong.

Sansapor had been used as a barge staging point.

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Joe McCarthy certainly unloosed a hornet's nest when he declared Snuffy Stirnweiss to be the superior of Bobby Doerr of the Red Sox. McCarthy isn't usually given to statements of this kind and when he does make one it is worth listening to no matter how incredulous it may sound at first hearing.

Doerr is the same gent who for three years was rated, by many, to be a better second baseman than the seemingly peerless Joe Gordon, who preceded Stirnweiss at the middle sack for the Yankees.

We are in no position to enter the argument one way or another, although we do think Doerr can do more things around base and at the plate with the old Louisville slugger he shakes at the pitchers. But the very fact that so astute a baseball man as McCarthy would even venture to compare Stirnweiss with Doerr is a measure of the rapid progress the Yank speedster has made since his failure at shortstop last year.

Stirnweiss seems like a cinch bet to end the base stealing reign of George Washington Case, and his hitting has picked up considerably so that he now sports a batting average of .303, which is second on the club only to Herschel Martin's .316.

The little barrel-chested guy took the game seriously this year after threatening to eat himself right out of baseball last season when he was so hog-fat he could hardly waddle around the infield.

With each passing day he has gained confidence and this confidence lends even more speed and daring to his base-stealing.

When all is said and done, however, I have an idea McCarthy may have made his statement for the purpose of bolstering Stirnweiss' confidence even more, so as to get still more value out of him in the remaining hectic days of the flag fight. With such a statement now the property of the public you can rest assured Stirnweiss will go all out more than ever before to live up to the billing his boss has given him.

And that all out effort may mean the difference between victory and defeat for the Yanks this year . . .

—So, isn't that McCarthy the old smart one?

The Yanks came back from the road with a record of seven wins and ten defeats—no pace to win a pennant, especially since the Browns did better than .600 during their home stand. The Yanks lost a total of four and a half games during their jaunt. They were but two games to the rear of the Brownies at the start—today they languish all of six and a half lengths behind. . . . Regardless of what McCarthy says about the ability of the Browns to stay up there, the Yanks themselves will have to improve greatly if they are to remain within hailing distance.

Sammy Angott, former lightweight champion of the world, won his second fight from young Aaron Perry Tuesday night in Washington, but had to come from behind to do it. The hard-hitting Negro youngster showed great improvement over his first battle with Sammy the Clutch, and during the eighth round he seemed to have Angott on the verge of the first kayo of his long career. But a clinching session saved Sammy and he was able to come back strong later.

Perry, who is improving steadily, has been signed for his first Garden main event by Mike Jacobs for the night of Aug. 18. He will face the sharp-shooting, fancy boxing but glass-jawed Tippy Larkin in what should be one of the better fights of the year.

The Bob Montgomery-Beau Jack bond battle is picking up speed with every day. The fight is already an assured financial success, but the Treasury Department is interested in getting the small bond purchaser for the event—so here's your chance to see a great fight while buying a bond that is going to bomb Hitler and the rest of the Axis out of existence.

War Bond Bout

Small Bond Buyers Wanted

By PHIL GORDON

It's the total number of bond sales made for the Bob Montgomery-Beau Jack bout at the Garden tomorrow night, rather than the total amount of money taken in, which interests the Treasury Department. In other words, Henry Morgenthau would be more pleased with 18,000 individual sales than he would be with the figure \$18,000,000.

Montgomery and Beau Jack, in the Army only a few months, point out that they haven't been in uniform long enough to have their boxing ability affected. They believe, however, that a year or more in service would make a vast difference because of the changes in diet, the type of drilling, etc. They think that fighters who have been in service a few years will, upon their discharge, be far less efficient than they were before entering the Army.

Two weeks after Montgomery had been knocked out in one round by Al Davis, he came back to the Garden to win the lightweight title from Beau Jack. Two weeks after Jack had lost the title to Montgomery, he came back to trounce Davis with ease.

Tech. Sgt. Bryant Bass, who accompanied Beau Jack to New York from Fort Benning, Ga., reveals that the Beau passed with high honors, every Army aptitude test he was called upon to take. Bass says Beau Jack has the makings of a great soldier.

Baseball Standings

NATIONAL LEAGUE
(Not Including Yesterday's Games)

	W.	L.	Pct.	Games Behind
St. Louis	69	26	.726	—
Cincinnati	54	42	.563	15 1/2
Pittsburgh	50	40	.556	18 1/2
New York	46	51	.474	24
Chicago	42	47	.472	24
Boston	39	56	.411	30
Philadelphia	37	55	.402	30 1/2
Brooklyn	38	58	.396	31 1/2

GAMES TODAY

Chicago at Brooklyn (2)

St. Louis at Pittsburgh

Other clubs not scheduled

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.	Games Behind
St. Louis	59	42	.584	—
Boston	52	46	.531	5 1/2
New York	50	48	.521	6 1/2
Cleveland	51	49	.510	7 1/2
Detroit	49	50	.495	9
Chicago	46	49	.484	10
Philadelphia	44	55	.444	14
Washington	42	56	.429	15 1/2

GAMES TODAY

Cleveland at Chicago (2)

Other clubs not scheduled

Ben Chapman May Pitch Sunday

Ben Chapman will probably make his Ebbets Field debut Sunday when he will hurl for the Dodgers, and according to Harold Parrot of the Dodger front office, the ex-Yank really can pitch.

Former Pirate, in Navy, Hurls No-Hitter

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 2.—Big Jack Hallett, former Pittsburgh Pirate pitcher who has been in the Navy the past 14 months, recently came up with a perfect no-hit pitching job in the Hawaiian Islands. Hallett faced 27 batters and none of them reached first base.

RADIO

WMCA—570 Ke. WEVD—1330 Ke.
WOR—600 Ke. WNEW—1130 Ke.
WOB—710 Ke. WLBB—1100 Ke.
WJZ—710 Ke. WHN—1050 Ke.
WNYC—880 Ke. WOV—1200 Ke.
WABC—980 Ke. WRNY—1400 Ke.
WINS—1000 Ke. WQXR—1500 Ke.

11 P.M. TO NOON

11:00 WEAF—Road of Life
WOR—News, Tro Harper
WJZ—Breakfast with Baeneman
WABC—Honeymoon Hill
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
11:15 WEAF—Vic and Sade
WOR—Talks and Music
WABC—Second Husband
11:30 WEAF—Star Playhouse
WJZ—News; Cliff Edwards, Songs
WABC—Bright Horizon
WMCA—News; Dorsey Records
11:45 WEAF—David Harum
WOR—Toby's Topics
WABC—Aunt Jenny's Stories

NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00 WEAF—News Reports
WOR—Boake Carter, News
WJZ—Glamour Manor
WABC—Kate Smith's Chat
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
12:15 WEAF—Talk, Maggi McNeills
WOR—Mealtime Melodies
WABC—Big Sister
12:30 WEAF—Sky High, Variety Show
WOR—News; Juke Box
WJZ—News; Farm and Home Makers
WABC—Helen Trent
1:00 WEAF—Mary Margaret McBride
WOR—News; Jack Birch, Songs
WJZ—H. R. Baulkage, News
WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
1:15 WJZ—Housewives' Protective League
WABC—Ma Perkins
1:30 WOR—Lopez Orchestra
WABC—Bernardine Flynn, News
1:45 WEAF—Morgan Beatty, News
WOR—American Woman's Jury
WJZ—Little Jack Little, Songs
WABC—The Goldbergs
2:00 WEAF—The Guiding Light
WOR—Martha Deane Program
WJZ—News, Comments
WABC—Portia Faces Life
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
2:15 WEAF—Today's Children
WJZ—Housewives' Protective League
WABC—Joyce Jordan
2:30 WEAF—Woman in White
WOR—News; Talk—Jane Cowl
WJZ—Ed East and Polly
WABC—Young Dr. Malone
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
2:45 WEAF—Hymns of All Churches
WABC—Perry Mason
3:00 WEAF—A Woman of America
WOR—Consumers' Quiz
WJZ—Morton Downey
WABC—Mary Marlin
WMCA—News; Milt Greene, Songs
3:15 WEAF—Ma Perkins
WOR—Success Stories
WJZ—Hollywood Star Time
WABC—The Jubilaires, Songs
WMCA—Talk—Ethel Colby
3:30 WEAF—Pepper Young
WOR—Dr. Eddy's Food Forum
WJZ—Appointment With Life
WABC—Bob Trout, News
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
3:45 WEAF—Right to Happiness
WABC—The High Places
4:00 WEAF—Backstage Wife
WOR—John Gambling, Talk
WJZ—Ethel and Albert
WABC—News; Western Songs
4:15 WEAF—Stella Dallas
WABC—News; Recorded Music

4:30 P.M.

4:30-2:55 P. M. WQXR—Orchestra, conducted by Jascha Zayde: Concerto Grossso, F major. Leclair-Dubensky Rausch... Moskowsk... Autade... Lalo 4:55 P. M. WLBB—Great Classics: Symphony No. 4... Brahms 7:05-8 P. M. WNYC (also PM)—Masterwork Hour. 7:30-8 P. M. WEVD—Spotlight Music. 8-9 P. M. WQXR (also PM)—Symphony Hall.

The Baseball Roundup

Cubs Can Finish 2nd; Giant, Dodger Stuff

by Bill Mardo

The Cubs will be in Ebbets Field for a double-header today and they'll be in with a seven-game winning streak that has brought them within a few percentage points of the first division and a long-shot chance to overhaul the Pirates and Reds for second spot money in the league.

It is not too fantastic an idea for the Cubs of Cholly Grimm are hitting as they were supposed to hit at the season's start and are also getting better pitching. At the moment they are 8 1/2 games to the rear of the second place Reds and that isn't too great a disadvantage for a club that is really rolling.

Is Whit Wyatt, who for four years carried the brunt of the Dodgers' pitching burden, finally through with major league ball? Of his performance of Tuesday, when the Cards belted him to cover within a few rounds, one would be inclined to say Wyatt has reached the end of his string in baseball.

But it is not certain yet just what caused Whit to refrain from throwing his famed fast ball Tuesday. It he didn't throw because he couldn't throw it then he is really on the way out. But if he didn't throw it because he was gunshy and afraid to give his arm the acid test, there still is the possibility that the arm is not as bad as it seems.

Radio Concerts

8:30-9:15 P. M. WNYC (also PM)—Goldman Band at Prospect Park. 9:30-10 P. M. WOR—Starlight Serenade, directed by Alfred Antoniou; singers are Victoria Cordova, soprano, and Harrison Know, tenor. 9:30-9:55 P. M. WQXR (also PM)—Music Festival. 10:30-11 P. M. WOR—MacKin Marrow and The Symphonette. 12 P. M.-1 A. M. WEVD—Symphonic Hour: Beautiful Galathaea Overture... Suppe Symphony No. 1... Shostakovich The Bard... Sableus

WMCA—Richard Eaton, Talk WQXR—Musical Memory Game 9:30-WEAF—Edward Everett Horton WOR—Starlight Serenade WJZ—Spotlight Band WABC—Corliss Archer, Play 9:45-WJZ—Short Story 10:00 WEAF—Harry Savoy, Comedy WOR—News, Henry Gladstone WJZ—Raymond Gram Swing WABC—The First Line WMCA—News; Music 10:15 WOR—Talk, Tiny Ruffner WJZ—From London, George Hicks 10:30 WEAF—March of Time WJZ—Joe E. Brown—Stop or Go WABC—Variety Musicale WMCA—Frank Kingdon, News WKXR—Talk, Algernon Black 10:45 WMCA—Robert Crumb, Piano 11:00 WEAF, WOR—News; Music WJZ, WABC—News; Music 11:30 WEAF—New World Choristers WJZ—Soldiers With Wings WABC—Viva America; Music 12:00 WEAF, WJZ—News; Music WOR, WABC—News; Music

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Literary Lookout

George Biddle's "Artist at War"
Published by Viking Press (\$3.50)

By Samuel Putnam

Anyone who has not been overseas with the armed forces, and who picks up George Biddle's *Artist at War* (Viking Press, \$3.50), will have just about as much of an idea of what this people's war against fascism is like as he would be able to obtain from reading the dispatches of Ernie Pyle.

Not quite, however; for Mr. Biddle, of the Philadelphia Biddles, well known academic painter, is by way of being an Ernie Pyle for the well fed, well clothed, and comfortably housed intelligentsia; he lacks Pyle's homesy touch which is so appealing to the plain people back home with sons and brothers, husbands and fathers on the battle-fields abroad, people who naturally are interested in the daily doings of their loved ones, and who hunger for that recognition which the common man in this great struggle which is essentially his struggle, has a right to claim.

Mr. Biddle, on the other hand, in his diary of the Mediterranean campaigns from North Africa to Italy, remains always the well bred and somewhat aloof aristocrat, trying hard not to show it, doing his best to be a good mixer and—especially since he happens to be an artist—to be down to earth, earthy. One none the less has the feeling that it is all a bit of a strain for him and that he is a good deal more at home in talking to generals, men of his own class, than he is with the average GI.

MISS WAR'S MEANING

In any event, one thing is certain: he no more than Pyle gives us the faintest inkling of what this war is all about. What he does give us, in addition to the more picturesque features of the human landscape, is the horrors of war, the sufferings of the native population, the destruction of old buildings and monuments, the hardships of the men at the front; and one has the unavoidable impression that he is really asking himself if it is all worth while.

The book, in short, proved a depressing one for me. Like Pyle, like Martha Gellhorn, and too many other correspondents, the author reports only the more pessimistic reactions.

Going My Way Continues at Loew's

Due to record attendance, the stage and screen show at Loew's State Theater will be held for a second big week starting today, (Aug. 3).

The stage bill is headed by Hi, Lo, Jack and the Dame, well-known radio singing quartette, and the Milt Hertz Trio, recording and radio stars, with Betty Westmore, vocalist.

Other acts on the vaudeville roster include Ken Davidson and John Scott, badminton champions, with Jimmy Ross as commentator; the Six Willys, jugglers, and Dick and Dot Remy, comic dancers.

THE STAGE

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Wilson--Timely Historical Film

By FRANK ANTICO

It is certainly a most happy coincidence that, on the very day the tragic biography of Woodrow Wilson reached the screen, announcement came from the State Department that the four-power Conference on Security Organization for Peace in the Postwar World would convene in Washington on Aug. 14, with sessions among representatives of the United States, the United Kingdom and the Soviet Union.

There is concrete testimony that the world has moved a long way along the road to a guaranteed and enforced peace since the days of the 28th President. At bitter cost, our own country has learned the bloody price that must be paid for refusal to face up to the problems of the world and, by contending with them, to overcome them. But the world of Franklin D. Roosevelt is not the world of Woodrow Wilson; we have all been through a terribly hard school since the triumph of Harding and Coolidge isolationism, and the lessons have sought us out in every corner of the land. There is a fortunate symbolism in the fact that the film Wilson was produced by Darryl F. Zanuck, a Republican.

GRIPPING IS NORMAL

Such rank and file pessimism as is real—and let us not forget that the soldier very often grousing for the sake of grousing, out of a kind of military modesty—can be traced to our failure to give our fighting men a true, deep understanding of what they are fighting for; but writers like Mr. Biddle never allude to this explanation, but appear themselves to be equally in the dark. A vague something is said about the "American idea," but the menace of fascism is not mentioned.

Certainly in this case the author had an enviable and most unusual opportunity for first-hand, close-up observation. As chairman of the War Department's Art Advisory Committee, he was sent abroad by General Marshall in charge of a staff of artists assigned to General Eisenhower's forces on the Mediterranean and European fronts. Later, when the appropriation for this purpose was withdrawn by Congress, Life magazine took over the contracts.

The volume is illustrated with a number of full-page reproductions of Mr. Biddle's work and with drawings in the text throughout. These, I should say, are in the best tradition of early-century academicism. They, too, tell us little about the war.

All the while I could not help thinking: if only a William Gropper could be over there! What he wouldn't do with such material! Then we should really see this greatest battle of the ages. For the artist, after all, like the poet, has to be a seer.

ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION

It is plain, if the first-night audience is any criterion, that the people of this country are going to react to this motion picture with all the fervor of their pent-up hopes and desires, with the strengthening of their conviction that the nations of the world can and must find the ways to outlaw war. And in the process of the hard thinking which will be helped along in no small degree by this film, the people cannot help but make the proper choice between the defeatist do-nothing policy of a Dewey and the triumphing Teheran policy of a Roosevelt.

Lamar Trotti's script, which runs to almost three hours, performs laudably the difficult assignment of combining the personal details of the life of the war President with the history that was made in his time.

Special note should be made of the marvelous recreation of Wilson's personality both in the writing and in the characterization by Alexander Knox. The latter does an amazing acting job in capturing the spirit of the man, the dignity and decency and Virginian aristocratic awkwardness in the face of the hurly-burly of politics. Some of the weakness of the man comes through too in the movie in his isolation from the great masses of the people until the pitiful moment when, in poor health, Wilson embarks on a belated speaking crusade to save the League of Nations.

Marking his return to Music for an Hour, Kaye plays Moszkowski's Waltz. For her solo Miss Henderson sings Rudolph Friml's Giannina Mia and then with Carey sings Miserere from Verdi's Trovatore. Carey and Baker do the Solenne in Quest'ora duet from Verdi's La Forza del Destino.

All of these elements are touched upon in a panoramic fashion in the

existence of the Soviet Union on the map of the world. Omission of the Soviet Union from the world of Wilson is in itself an act of isolationism which runs counter to the essential spirit of the film.

A BETTER WAY

Movie producers should not be hesitant in throwing the brilliant light of the present on the past, as well as preserving every glint they can gather from darker period. It makes for more confidence and good sense to hear Wilson say, with an inspired vision of the people's will embodied in the formation of the United Nations, that the stopping of senseless slaughter "may come about in a better way than we proposed." This destroys the child's view of the world that leads him to say, in a previous outburst, that "any little German lieutenant can put us into war by an outrage." The nature of war cannot be understood in any such small terms, and fortunately the United Nations, which are sharpening now the surgical instruments to excise the cancer of war, have a more realistic view of the size of the problems of the world and of the breadth of vision necessary to encompass their solution.

MOTION PICTURES

It's COOL at RKO

RKO TODAY

Ginger ROGERS in *Tender Comrade* with ROBERT RYAN • RUTH HUSSEY and 'A NIGHT of ADVENTURE' with TOM CONWAY • Audrey LONG

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Late Bulletins

Marcantonio Exposes Kennedy Alibi in Defeat

Congressman Vito Marcantonio asserted yesterday that the charges of Martin J. Kennedy, his Democratic opponent in the 18th Congressional District primaries, that the latter's defeat was the result of a deal with elements in Tammany Hall are "ridiculous and patently false."

"Mr. Kennedy who campaigned under false colors including for the first time in our political history an unauthorized use of the President's name now seeks to save face by blaming the results on his opponents. Mr. Kennedy's defeat was a result of year's of neglect of the true interest of the people of the district and his consistent bitter opposition to the policies of our great President, Franklin D. Roosevelt."

"The spectacle of him claiming the support of the President and maintaining on his payroll a vicious enemy of the President, John J. O'Connor, revolted the decent people of the district. My election is a victory of the people over the politicians."

Marcantonio pointed out that he encountered bitter opposition from Tammany leader Edward V. Loughlin and Tammany district leaders, Morrissey, Barry, Sullivan, Manus and Rossetti. Rossetti, Marcantonio declared, was Tammany leader Clarence Neal's hand-picked man and went down to decisive defeat in his attempt to win the American Labor Party nomination for U. S. Assembly.

U.S. Mission Revealed Going To Communist-Led China Area

CHUNGKING, Aug. 2 (UP).—Dr. P. H. Chang, Chinese government spokesman, today revealed that the raid by American B-29 Superfortresses was the signal for the opening of the doors of Communist-led guerilla China to United States observers.

The Americans departing for that area have three objectives, he told a press conference. They will collect aeronautical data and weather information, aid American airmen forced down in that territory and promote closer cooperation between Chinese ground forces and American air units.

Dr. K. C. Wu, Chinese Vice-Min-

ister for Foreign Affairs, questioned today as to whether American air bases in the Chinese Communist territory would not be most helpful to the Allies, replied that "the question of bases in those areas has not arisen" and commented that he did not know what the government's attitude toward such a proposal would be, if it were made.

Dr. Chang also forecast the fulfillment of China's hope to launch a general counter offensive "yet this year." Allied successes in the Pacific, plus their air victories over China, have turned the tide, confronting the enemy with a crisis, he said.

War Manpower Shortages Laid to 'Cutback Jitters'

Critical industry, producing for immediate war needs, faces a serious manpower crisis, partly because of over-optimism about approaching victory, William Haber, deputy executive director of the War Manpower Commission, warned yesterday.

Nationally there has been a decline of 1,250,000 in war industry personnel in the past 12 months, and New York State alone has lost 110,000 from key war industries since November, Haber said. Both figures include those taken by Selective Service.

He and Mrs. Anna Rosenberg, regional WMC director, brought an urgent appeal for intensified recruiting of manpower to a press conference at the Hotel New Yorker. Present with the reporters were area WMC directors who now return to their localities to step up drives to speed the transfer of men and women workers from non-es-

sential to critical jobs. New York State alone needs 110,700 additional workers for key industries in the next two months, if it is to turn out its production for the fighting fronts, Mrs. Rosenberg said.

Haber said from 6,000 to 7,000 additional workers would put the heavy tire program out of trouble. Acute shortages in the foundry industry could be solved with 20,000 additional workers. Sixty thousand are needed for shipyards, many of them in the New York area.

Psychological results of cut-backs were blamed by Haber. Workers released, he said, think they are no longer needed, and those not directly affected suffer from cut-back jitters which often cause them to quit war jobs for civilian posts. Haber remarked also that some managements have been hit by the cut-back jitters and have actually balked at accepting war contracts until pressed.

McNair Killed by U.S. Bomb Error

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2 (UP).—An American bomb which fell short of its objective was revealed today to have caused the death of Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, former commanding general of the U. S. Army ground forces, who was killed in Normandy recently.



Daily Worker

Daily Worker, New York, Thursday, August 3, 1944



American troops, spreading out from captured Avranches, are now in a position to make a drive to cut off Brittany, or to make the 160-mile drive to Paris.

The Veteran Commander

THE YANKS BREAK OUT OF NORMANDY

THE communication point of Pontaubault at the head of the Bay of Mont Saint-Michel, mentioned by us yesterday as the key to the side-door of Brittany, has been captured by American troops. They not only captured the "key," but used it to burst through the "door." The Yanks also captured Pontorson, south of Mont Saint-Michel.

Thus a possible burst toward Nantes is taking shape, the plan possibly being to secure the Breton Peninsula before marching on Paris. Right now with the capture of Pontorson, American troops are about 30 miles from the central communication points of Rennes, which sits almost in the middle of the base of the Breton Peninsula.

British troops are attacking in the direction of Vire. The Germans are counterattacking in the Caen sector, where indecisive fighting is going on.

The fact that the Germans failed to make even a perfunctory stand at the side-door to Brittany shows that they are simply unable to withstand the blows of the Allies. This is no planned retreat. This is a resounding defeat for the enemy.

The Western Front is beginning to take shape fast. Its birth was slow and sluggish (almost two months from the first "pains"), but it had a good midwife in the form of the Baltic, East Prussian and Warsaw offensives.

THE greatest single trap since Stalingrad has been snapped on the German troops in Estonia and northern Latvia. Soviet troops under General Bagramian have crashed through to the Baltic Sea west of Riga and Bagramian's left is quickly moving up to "thicken" the ring of encirclement.

The trap has an area of 25,000 square

miles. We don't know how many German troops are in it, of course, but it is a safe guess that right now 250,000 are "in." However, it would be foolish to expect them all to be annihilated or taken prisoner. They still have the Baltic Sea lanes to make their escape. The ports of Tallinn, Paldiski, Hapsal, Pernow and Riga can be used by them for partial evacuation at least.

Of course, the collapse of Finland within the next few days would open the gate for the Baltic Fleet, which then could interfere much more effectively with the evacuation of General Lindemann's divisions by sea.

General Chernyakhovsky is advancing on East Prussia at a pretty fast clip and at one point is only eight miles from the border town of Schirwindt.

The Warsaw operation is still cloaked in mystery. It would not surprise us to hear very, very soon that Soviet troops had crossed the Vistula in force.

Other sectors are marking time while the three main blows—at Riga, Lissit and Warsaw are developing. On the map these three blows look like three huge lower tusks tearing the "Baltic corridor" into four parts, with the Gulf of Finland, the Dvina, the Neman and the Vistula forming the dividing lines between the "slices." The slices consist of Estonia and northern Latvia, southern Latvia and Lithuania, and East Prussia.

THE elevation of Gen. Stillwell to the rank of full general and the appointment of Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser to the command of Allied naval forces in Southeast Asia doubtless presages a stepping up of operations in that area. We are glad of Stillwell's appointment because he is our favorite American general.

(In answer to Mrs. B., regret to say that this department does not know whether men over 35 will be sent back from overseas to the States. However, we doubt very much that experienced soldiers will be released from service abroad. Does anybody know?)

